AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

CONTEST OVERVIEW

The Missouri State Agricultural Mechanics Contest shall reflect the agricultural mechanics instruction provided contestants in Missouri secondary agriculture departments. Specifically, the skill and problem solving activities shall reflect the competencies included in the Missouri Agricultural Mechanics curriculum. Agricultural Mechanics competencies shall include the areas of agricultural machinery, small engine power, tractor power, agricultural electrification, woodwork and carpentry, concrete and plumbing, metal fabrication, soil and water management, and repair and maintenance. The written examination, skill activities, and problem solving activities will be conducted to assess the participants' knowledge of these agricultural mechanics competencies. Agricultural Mechanics competency profiles are available through the Instructional Materials Laboratory.

Contest Objectives:

The overall purpose of the Agricultural Mechanics Contest is to motivate contestants to greater learning by providing an opportunity to apply classroom knowledge in a competitive situation and to promote state-of-the-art Agricultural Mechanics programs within the State of Missouri.

Contestants in the Agricultural Mechanics Contest should have developed the following competencies:

Agricultural Machinery

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Machinery Curriculum. Subtopics include operating and maintaining: power units; primary tillage equipment; secondary tillage equipment; planting equipment; chemical applicators; harvesting equipment; and materials and handling equipment.

Small Engine Power

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Power I Curriculum. Subtopics include: using measuring tools, principles of operation; using shop tools and equipment; selecting engine parts and fasteners; using a service manual; testing and analyzing a single cylinder engine system; and servicing a single cylinder engine.

Tractor Power

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Power II Curriculum. Subtopics include: principles of operation; testing and analyze the multi-cylinder components; servicing a multi-cylinder engine; and servicing the power train.

Agricultural Electrification (circuits and motors)

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Structures II Curriculum, Unit D, Agricultural Structures I Curriculum, Unit B, Competency Number 7, <u>and</u> the following specific competencies not in the curriculum that pertain to electrical motors: selecting motors based on the type of application; interpreting motor nameplate data; interpreting motor wiring connection diagrams; servicing electric motors; connecting motor drives; identifying motors and motor parts; and identifying methods of providing motor protection. References for electric motors are listed in the National FFA Career Development Events, Agricultural Mechanics Section, Pages 13-14.

Woodwork and Carpentry

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Construction Curriculum, Units C and E; Agricultural Structures Curriculum I, Unit A; Agricultural Structures Curriculum II, Unit B; Agricultural Science I Curriculum, Material Selection, Plan Reading, and Interpretation Unit; and Agricultural Science II Curriculum, Power Tools Unit.

Concrete and Plumbing

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Structures Curriculum I, Unit B; Agricultural Structures Curriculum II, Units A and E.

Metal Fabrication (arc or mig and oxy-acetylene welding)

The contestant should be able to perform the arc welding and oxy-acetylene welding competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Science I and II Curriculum materials; Agricultural Construction Unit A, Competencies 1 to 4; and the Agricultural Construction Unit B, Competencies 1 to 10.

Soil and Water Management

The contestant should be able to perform the following competencies in addition to those identified in the current curriculum: describing principles involved in appropriate conservation and/or land use planning; reading legal land descriptions; determining land area; determining the percent of slope or grade; leveling a leveling instrument; using a hand level; taking rod readings; measuring

distances with tapes or instruments; laying out corners using instruments; recording field notes for differential and profile leveling; laying out foundations, footings, and batter boards; laying out a contour line; measuring crop residue on the land; determining soil losses; and determine the cubic feet of dirt to move. The contestant should also be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Advanced Crop Production Unit C, "Soil Conservation." References for Soil and Water Management are listed in the National FFA Career Development Events Bulletin, Agricultural Mechanics Section, pages 13-14.

Repair and Maintenance (tool ID, sharpening and adjustment, hot metal and cold metal)

The contestant should be able to perform the competencies identified in the Missouri Agricultural Construction Curriculum, Unit D; Agricultural Science I Curriculum, Tool Sharpening and Reconditioning; Agricultural Science I, Woodworking Unit; Agricultural Power I, Units B and C; Agricultural Science II Curriculum, Tool Sharpening and Reconditioning and Cold Metal Work.

Written Examination

The contestant should be knowledgeable about all six areas designated for that respective year.

CONTEST FORMAT AND SCORING

1. The three major contest sections and associated skill/problem solving areas rotate in the following manner:

CONTEST FORMAT AND ROTATION Skill and Problem Solving Activities						
Section	Area Odd Years		Even Years			
Ag. Power & Machinery	Ag. Machinery	Ag. Machinery	Ag. Machinery			
	Small Engine Power Small Engine Power					
	Tractor Power		Tractor Power			
Ag. Structures & Electricity	Ag. Electrification	Circuits	Motors			
	Woodworking and Carpentry	Woodworking and Carpentry				
	Concrete and Plumbing		Concrete and Plumbing			
Ag. Construction & Soil & Water Management	Metal Fabrication	Arc or Mig	Оху			
	Soil and Water Management	Soil and Water Management				
	Repair and Maintenance		Repair and Maintenance			

- 2. Each contestant will compete in each area of the contest. Each contestant will take the written examination.
- 3. Work will be judged on accuracy, workmanship, and the ability to interpret instructions, plans, and drawings.
- 4. Each contestant will be allowed <u>20 minutes</u> to perform the activities in each skill/problem solving area. Each contestant will be allowed 60 minutes to complete the written examination.
- 5. Skill activity sheets for the district agricultural mechanics contest will be distributed at the January district meeting. A brief preview of the contest will be provided at the district meetings.
- 6. Pictures or slides may be used in any area rather than actual items.
- 7. Problem solving may be a part of the contest in any area. The use of computers may be incorporated into the solving of problems that are associated with the six areas designated for that respective year.
- 8. Practice metal will be provided if necessary. <u>DO NOT</u> bring metal to practice on.
- 9. Only tools listed on Form 1 (included in following pages) will be used for the tool identification, sharpening, and adjustment skill activity. The contestant should look for the <u>major defect or improper adjustment</u> as they complete this part of the contest and indicate Useable or Nonuseable under Working Condition.
- 10. Only parts and tools listed on Form 76 will be used for Aq. Power I.D. Section.
- 11. The written examination will be an objective test covering the six areas designated for that year.
- 12. Each skill activity will be worth 50 points. The written examination will be worth 100 points. As such, an individual could earn 400 points; each team could earn a total of 1200 points.

CONTEST RULES

1. Contestants shall not communicate with any person other than the persons in charge of the contest.

2. Each contestant must bring the following materials:

Odd Years

- 1. #2 lead pencil
- 2. Clean clipboard
- 3. Safety glasses
- Arc or Mig welding helmet
- 5. Welding gloves
- 6. Chipping hammer

Even Years

- 1. #2 lead pencil
- 2. Clean clipboard
- 3. Safety glasses
- 4. Oxy-acetylene goggles
- 5. Welding gloves

No contestant will be permitted to participate without the previous listed equipment.

- 3. Each team will consist of three members who have qualified by participating at a district contest.
- 4. Only contestants and contest workers will be allowed in the contest area during the contest. Teachers will be allowed to view the contest set-up only after the contest is completed. Teachers will not be allowed to communicate with the judges until contest grading has been completed.
- 5. No contest papers will be returned after the contest.
- 6. Time allowances will be made by the contest superintendent or assistants for equipment breakdowns or improperly functioning equipment.
- 7. Contestants will wear safety eye protection during all skill activities. Contestants will not be allowed to compete in an activity without their own safety glasses. Sharing of safety glasses with fellow team members or other contestants will not be allowed.
- 8. Arc welding and oxy-acetylene participants must wear appropriate clothing and shoes. (i.e. long pants, coveralls or overalls; long sleeve shirt; and leather shoes or boots). All exposed skin must be covered. NO tennis shoes or sandals will be permitted.
- 9. List of machinery for state contest will be available by March 1st of the contest year on the UMC Agricultural Engineering website (http://www.missouri.edu/~pavt0689/statecon.html) or by calling the UMC Agricultural Engineering office (573-882-2731).

REFERENCES

References for the contest are those listed for the respective areas of the Missouri Agricultural Science I and II; Agricultural Structures; Agricultural Power I and II; Agricultural Machinery, and Agricultural Construction Curricula.

References are listed in the Career Development Events Bulletin, Agricultural Mechanics Section:

- 1. FOS John Deere
- 2. Agricultural Power and Machinery. McGraw-Hill.
- 3. Mechanics in Agriculture. Interstate Publishers.
- 4. Agricultural Mechanics Fundamentals and Applications. Delmar Publishers.
- 5. Modern Agricultural Mechanics. Interstate Printers and Publishers.
- 6. Developing Shop Safety Skills. American Association for Vocational Instructional Materials (available from UMC-IML).
- 7. Power Tool Safety and Operation. Hobar (available from UMC-IML).
- 8. Agricultural Mechanics I Lesson Plans. UMC-IML.
- 9. Agricultural Mechanics II Lesson Plans. UMC-IML.
- 10. Agricultural Buildings and Structures. Reston Publications.
- 11. Practical Farm Buildings. Interstate Publishers.
- 12. National Electrical Code (1993 edition).NFPA
- 13. Agricultural Structures. UMC-IML.
- 14. National FFA Agricultural Mechanics web site: http://web.missouri.edu/~pavt0689/natcon.html.

FORM 76

MISSOURI AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS CONTEST AG POWER: SMALL ENGINE PARTS AND TOOL LIST

Tool Numbe	r TOOLS	Tool Number	GENERAL
Nullibe	Tachometer	Nullibei	
			Air Cleaner Cartridge
	Voltmeter Ohmmeter		Breather Tube
			Bushing
	Ammeter		Clutch (Starter)
	Spark Tester		Connecting Lock/Screw Lock
	Compression Tester		Crankcase Breather
	Dial Indicator		Cylinder Head Screw (Head Bolt)
	Dial Caliper		Flywheel Key
	Torque Wrench		Flywheel Guard
	Micrometer		Governor Blade
	Telescope Gauge		Governor Link
	Hole Gauge		Governor Spring
	Feeler Gauge		Housing Blower (Shroud)
	Wire Feeler Gauge		Muffler
	Plug Gauge (Go-no-Go)		Oil Slinger (Dipper)
	Valve Seat Refacer		Piston Cap
	Valve Lapper		Piston Pin
	Valve Seat Cutter		Piston Rod
	Valve Grinder		Screen-Rotating
	Valve Seal Puller		Spring Washer (Flywheel Washer)
	Pilots		
	Driver		PISTON RINGS
	Support Jack		Compression
	Flywheel Puller		Oil
	Flywheel Holder		Scraper
	Starter Clutch Wrench		
	Valve Spring Compressor		IGNITION
	Piston Ring Compressor		Breaker Points
	Condensor Spring Compressor		Breaker Points (Plunger)
	Piston Ring Grover		Breaker Points (Spring)
	Reamer		Condenser
	Cylinder Hone		Cover (Points)
	Counterbore Cutter		Flywheel
	Carbon Ring Remover		Magneto (Armature)
			Spark Plug
	CARBURETOR		
	Flow-jet		GASKETS
	Vacu-jet		Air Cleaner
	Pulsa-jet		Crankcase
			Head
	PRIMARY		Valve Cover (crankcase breather)
	Cam Gear		
	Crankcase Cover (Oil Sump)		VALVE
	Crankshaft		Exhaust
	Cylinder (Block)		Intake
	Cylinder Head		Spring
	Fuel Tank		Spring Retainer
	Piston		Tappet

Missouri Agricultural Mechanics Contest Tool Identification, Fitting and Adjustment Skill Activity

Name:					Contestant NumberSchool Number:					
1	Yes	No			26	_ Yes	No			
2	Yes	No			27	_ Yes	No			
3	Yes	No			28	_ Yes	No			
4	Yes	No			29	_ Yes	No			
5	Yes	No			30	_ Yes	No			
6	Yes	No			31	_ Yes	No			
7	Yes	No			32	_ Yes	No			
8	Yes	No			33	_ Yes	No			
9	Yes	No			34	_ Yes	No			
10	_ Yes	No			35	_ Yes	No			
11	_ Yes	No			36	_ Yes	No			
12	_ Yes	No			37	_ Yes	No			
13	_ Yes	No			38	_ Yes	No			
14	_ Yes	No			39	_ Yes	No			
15	_ Yes	No			40	_ Yes	No			
16	_ Yes	No			41	_ Yes	No			
17	_ Yes	No			42	_ Yes	No			
18	_ Yes	No			43	_ Yes	No			
19	Yes	No			44	_ Yes	No			
20	_ Yes	No			45	_ Yes	No			
21	_ Yes	No			46	_ Yes	No			
22	_ Yes	No			47	_ Yes	No			
23	_ Yes	No			48	_ Yes	No			
24	_ Yes	No			49	_ Yes	No			
25	Vas	No			50	Vas	No			

Missouri Agricultural Mechanics Contest

Tool Identification, Fitting and Adjustment Skill Listing

 Bit, Auger 	47.	Hammer, Ball Peen	93. Ra	atchet, Flex Head
Bit, Expansion Auger	48.	Hammer, Blacksmith	94. Ri	vet, Set
3. Bit, Masonry		Hammer, Curved Claw		vet, Pop Rivet Tool
4. Bit, Router		Hammer, Rawhide		aw, Back
5. Bit, Screwdriver		Hammer, Ripping		aw, Compass
6. Bit, Wood Screw Pilot		Hammer, Sheet Metal Setting		aw, Coping
7. Bit, Spade		Indicator, Dial		aw, Cross Cut
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8. Bolt Cutter		Indicator, Speed		aw, Hack aw Miter Box
9. Brace, Ratchet		Jacob's Chuck		
10. Caliper, Inside		Level, Aluminum	102. Sa	•
11. Caliper, Outside		Level, Mason's		cratch Awl
12. Caliper, Vernier		Level, Mechanic's		crewdriver, Standard
13. Countersink		Level, Line		crewdriver, Clutch Head
14. Chalkline	60.	Mason's Trowel	106. Sc	crewdriver, Offset
15. Chisel, Wood	61.	Micrometer, Inside	107. Sc	crewdriver, Phillips
16. Chisel, Cold	62.	Micrometer, Outside	108. Sc	crewdriver, Torque
17. Chisel, Diamond Point	63.	Nail Set	109. Sc	crew Extractor
18. Chisel, Round Nose	64.	Nut Driver	110. Sli	iding T Bevel
19. Clamp, C	65.	Oil Stone		nips, Aviation
20. Clamp, Corner	66.	Pipe Cutter		nips, Tinner
21. Clamp, Three Way		Pipe Die		ocket, 4 Point
22. Clamp, Bar		Pipe Reamer		ocket, 6 Point
23. Die, Split Round Adjustable		Pipe Tap		ocket, 8 Point
24. Die, Solid		Plane, Jack		ocket, 12 Point
25. Die, Stock		Plane, Block		ocket, Universal
26. Die, Two Piece Adjustable		Plane, Surform		
27. Dividers				ocket, Extension
		Plane, Hand		ocket, Flex Handle
28. Edger, Concrete		Pliers, Combination		ocket, Reducer/Adaptor
29. File, Card		Pliers, Diagonal Cutting		ocket, Deep
30. File, Flat Bastard		Pliers, Groove Joint		ocket, Speed Handle
31. File, Flat Mill		Pliers, Lineman's		ocket, Spark Plug
32. File, Half Round		Pliers, Locking		quare, Carpenter's Framing
33. File, Wood		Pliers, Locking Chain Wrench		quare, Combination
34. Float, Magnesium		Pliers, Needle Nose		quare, Steel
35. Float, Steel	81.	Pliers, Slip Joint	127. Sc	quare, Try
36. Float, Wood	82.	Pliers, Water Hose Clamp	128. Tv	vist Drill, Morris Taper
37. Gauge, Drill	83.	Pliers, Wire Stripper	129. Tv	vist Drill, Straight Shank
38. Gauge, Flat Feeler	84.	Puller, Bearing	130. W	rench, Adjustable End
39. Gauge, Spark Plug Feeler	85.	Puller, External Gear		rench, Box
40. Gauge, Small Hole		Puller, Internal Gear		rench, Combination
41. Gauge, Marking		Puller, Nail		rench, Pounds-Foot Torque
42. Gauge, Screw Pitch		Punch, Center		rench, Impact
43. Gauge, Telescoping		Punch, Drive Pin		rench, Pounds-Inch Torque
44. Gauge, Wire		Punch, Lining-Up		rench, Tap
45. Gauge, Sheet and Plate Metal		Putty Knife		rench, Ratcheting B
46. Grinding Wheel Dresser		Ratchet, Reversible	101. VV	Tonon, Rationelling D
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